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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated  
September 19, 2008.

A three month extension of time until January 19, 2009 is  
requested and payment by credit card accompanies this paper.

Please debit our Deposit Account No. 18-1743 for any  
additional fees necessary for the filing of this Response.